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United Nations technical cooperation activities

The Governing Council,

Recalling its decision 90/37 of 20 June 1990, in which, inter alia, it requested the Administrator to report on the results of the efforts of the United Nations Development Programme and the Department of Technical Cooperation for Development to establish a more effective division of labour and a more complementary relationship, and to devise ways and means of eliminating duplicative administrative support activities and strengthening technical support activities,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on United Nations technical cooperation activities (DP/1991/41 and Add.1-3) and the report of the Administrator on cooperation between the United Nations Development Programme and the Department of Technical Cooperation for Development (DP/1991/42) and the views expressed during the debate thereon,

1. Notes that the efforts of intensifying the cooperation between the Department of Technical Cooperation for Development and the United Nations Development Programme have been limited and have been on an ad hoc basis;

2. Reiterates the importance of closer collaboration between the Department of Technical Cooperation for Development and the United Nations Development Programme in the provision of technical and management services as well as non-project types of activities in internal areas where the Department has already developed the necessary technical expertise, capacity and experience;

3. Emphasizes that intensified cooperation should take account of the comparative advantages of the Department of Technical Cooperation for Development and the United Nations Development Programme to maintain their ability to respond effectively to the needs of developing countries;

4. Requests the Administrator, in close collaboration with the Secretary-General, to initiate a detailed study by an external consultant on all options of closer cooperation between the Department of Technical Cooperation for Development and the United Nations Development Programme, including a merger of the Department of Technical Cooperation for Development and the Office for Project Services, taking into account their respective capabilities and comparative advantages in the field of technical cooperation activities, and to report to the Governing Council at its thirty-ninth session (1992) on the results thereof.